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SUBJECT: UPDATE ON OFFER OF ASSISTANCE FROM PERU FOR
HURRICANE KATRINA RELIEF

REF: A. SECSTATE 163428

[1](#)B. SECSTATE 163366

[1](#)1. The Government of Peru, after being informed by the Ambassador of the priority needs listed in Ref B, is developing an assistance package likely to be composed of canned seafood (in lieu of MREs), sheets, t-shirts and non-pharmaceutical medical and veterinary supplies. (Note: President Alejandro Toledo informed the Ambassador that he discussed providing canned seafood in lieu of MREs in a telephone conversation with Secretary of Defense Rumsfeld on 9/4. End Note.)

[1](#)2. Host Government point of contact is Daul Matute, the Foreign Ministry's Director of Security and Defense Affairs, who speaks fluent English. His office phone number is (511) 311-2929, Cell Phone (511) 9867-3159.

[1](#)3. Embassy Lima's point of contact is Political Counselor Alexander Margulies. Office phone (511) 618-2511; Cell Phone (511) 9909-6575, Home Phone (511) 372-1180.

[1](#)4. Embassy will provide specific information on the assistance offered by Peru as soon as it is known.

[1](#)5. Embassy GSO has spoken to local representatives of U.S. airlines that service Lima, all of whom have offered to provide transportation of GOP donations to the following locations in the U.S.:

-- Continental Airlines - Houston, Texas

-- American Airlines - Dallas/Fort Worth

-- Delta Airlines - Atlanta.

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